

# **HOMEOWNER MOTIVATIONS, DECISION-MAKING FACTORS, AND EVALUATIONS OF THEIR SOFT SHORE PROJECTS IN THE PUGET SOUND**

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# WHERE MY STUDY FITS IN

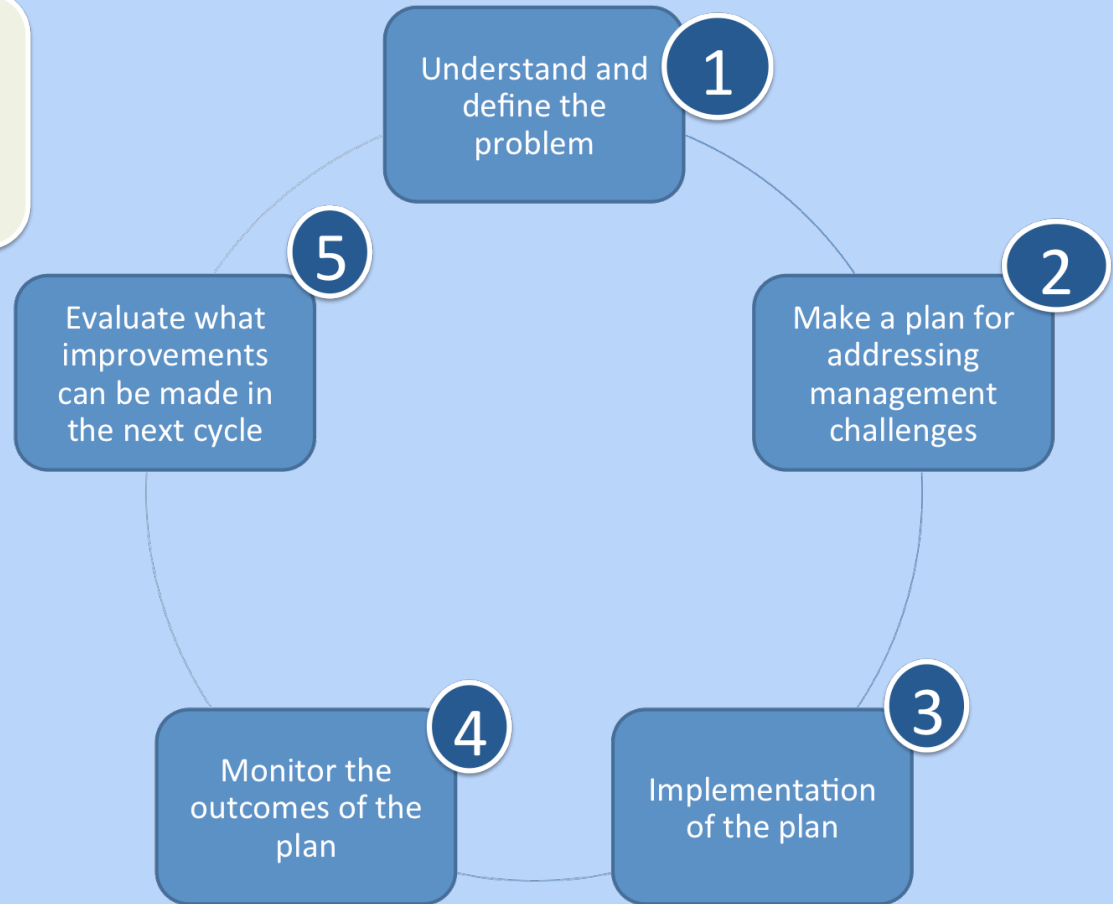
Incorporating  
landowner  
experiences into  
adaptive management  
cycle



Adaptive Management Cycle shows need for monitoring

Several technical assessments exist

Nearshore is complex **social** and ecological system



Need for feedback from all stakeholders including the homeowner<sup>3</sup>

# RESEARCH QUESTIONS

**Why and how do homeowners decide to do soft shore?**



Guidance for improving outreach and assistance

**How do homeowners evaluate their experiences?**



A framework for evaluation and guidance on how to improve management

# METHODS

**Semi-structured  
interviews with  
landowners**

**Qualitative Analysis**



# INTERVIEW QUESTIONS



- Motivations?
- Decision making factors?
- Evaluations?

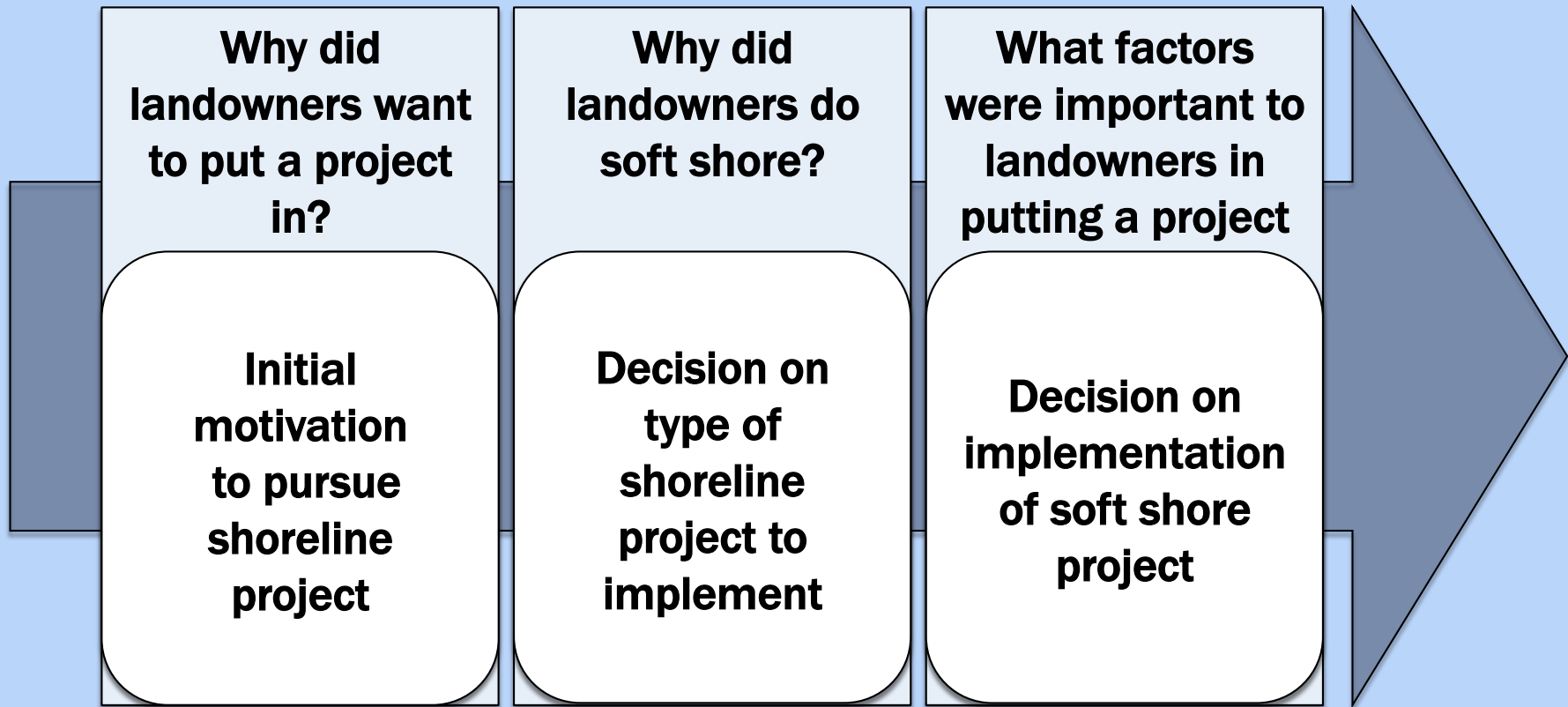


# DATA LIMITATIONS

- Preliminary results
- Small sample, not generalizable



# DECISION MAKING PROCESS





# MOTIVATIONS



**Why were landowners motivated to take action on site?**

# DECISION MAKING FACTORS: WHICH TYPE OF PROJECT?



- **Process of Information gathering, defining alternatives, and weighing options**

# DECISION MAKING FACTORS: HOW TO IMPLEMENT



**How landowners  
discussed decision  
over how to  
implement soft shore**



# EVALUATIONS OF PERMIT REQUIREMENTS



**Specific requirements  
of permits like  
construction  
restrictions or fees**

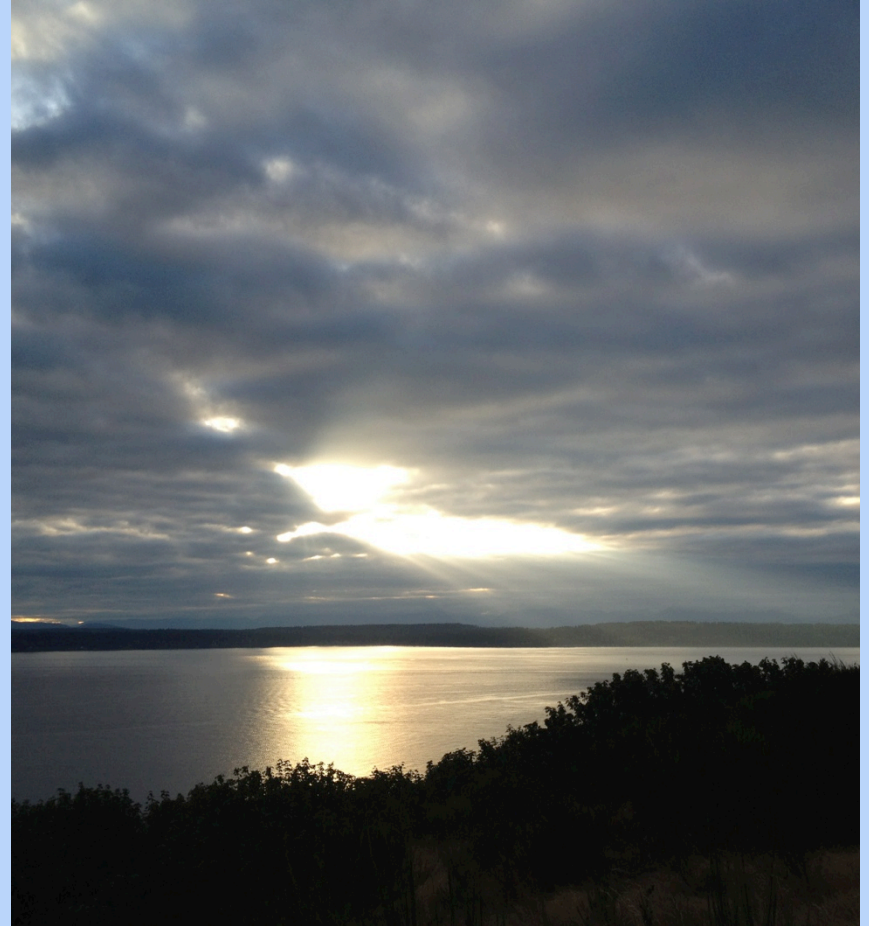
# LARGER PROCESS EVALUATIONS



How larger processes were discussed such as availability of information or interactions with staff

# FUTURE WORK

- Analyzing site specific evaluations by landowners
- Developing evaluation framework based on landowner experiences
- Management Recommendations





# THANK YOU FOR LISTENING!

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